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TO AMEMBASSY LISBON IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: XGDS-4

TAGS: PFOR, PO

SUBJECT: PRO-COMMUNIST POWER PLAY

REF.: LISBON 4149

FOR AMBASSADOR FROM ASSISTANT SECRETARY HARTMAN

1. YOURASSESSMENT WAS VERY HELPFUL TO US IN SORTING OUT WHAT IS AT BEST A MURKY AND DEPRESSING SITUATION OVER WHICH WE HAVE LIMITED INFLUENCE. I AGREE COMPLETELY WITH YOUR VIEW(PARA8, REFTEL) THAT WE SHOULD CONTINUE TO URGE THE MODERATES TO PRESS FORWARD. HOW SUCCESSFUL THEY WILL BE IS AN OPEN QUESTION, BUT IF THEY DON'T TRY, FAILURE SEEMS ALMOST CERTAIN.

2. WE ARE STILL MULLING OVER THE IDEA OF A DEMARCHE TO COSTA GOMES, EITHER BILATERALLY OR IN CONCERT WITH THE ALLIES. WE ARE STILL SKEPTICAL ABOUT THE RESULTS OF SUCH AN APPROACH BUT, GIVEN THE RAPIDLY MOVING PACE OF

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POLITICAL MANEUVERING IN LISBON, WOULD LIKE YOUR LATEST

VIEWS ON THIS,ESPECIALLY A JOINT DEMARCHE WITH SELECTED  
ALLIES. KISSINGER

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